

**Losses to procurement agencies in Madhya Pradesh**

**†4413. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI:** Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the procurement agencies in Madhya Pradesh have incurred losses in procurement of paddy and wheat;

(b) if so, the reasons for the losses; and

(c) whether Government would take necessary steps so that the procurement agencies do not incur losses?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SRIRAM CHAUHAN):** (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

**Replacement of Consumer Protection Act, 1986**

**4414. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE:** Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to replace the existing Consumer Protection Act, 1986 with a new piece of legislation;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the details of the proposed Bill;

(c) whether Government propose to put in place a new Consumer Disputes' Redressal Machinery and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what further steps are proposed to be taken to provide for the speedy settlement of complaints of the consumers?

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